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New Office Building

1. The SMV has purchased and is now renovating the A. Pörr A.G. building on Getreidemarkt, Vienna I, and sometime within the next two months SMV headquarters and the SMV Purchasing Office will be moved into this building. SMV employees believe the purpose of this move is not only to combine SMV administrative offices in a single installation but also to provide SMV officials with modern and attractive business facilities comparable to the Vienna offices of the Shell and Vacuum Oil companies.

Allocation of Sulfuric Acid

2. The SMV Purchasing Office purchased a total of 225 tons of sulfuric acid from "Chemia" Chemikalien G.m.b.H. to supply this commodity to SMV refineries during the month of December 1949. The following amounts were allocated from this purchase:

SMV Refinery	No. of Tons of Sulfuric Acid Allocated for December 1949
Nova Schwechat	60
Kledering	30
Moosbierbaum	45
Voesendorf	45
Korneuburg	25
Vacuum Oil Company	25
Shell	15

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Import Shipments and Transfer of Equipment

3. During the week of 5 December 1949, the SMV received the following import shipments:

3 carloads of four inch compressor pipe from the Eastern Zone of Germany. Once again SMV employees noted that GEORGYESKY, supervisor of USIA's Transport Department, personally supervised the regrouping and transfer of these railroad cars to Dobermannsdorf and that no documents accompanied this shipment.*

4 carloads containing 1,500 sacks of barite, weighing a total of 76,070 kilograms, from the Salbar Company, Lecco, Italy.

3 railroad tank cars containing an estimated 50 tons of hydrochloric acid from Budapest.**

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4. During this same week, the G. Rumpel A.G. plant in Siebenhirten delivered to the SMV at Neusiedl 117 Soviet-made deep drilling pumps which this firm had repaired and equipped with 2 1/2 inch openings.***

Recent Developments at Matzen

5. The Vienna offices of G. Rumpel A.G. are in the process of being transferred to Matzen where this firm will handle the technical administration of the Matzen oil fields.****

6. The SMV has purchased two Maybach ZKW and one Ford V-8 equipped with a trailer for the Matzen motor pool which is being enlarged.

SMV Purchases

7. SMV employees attribute the recent increase in the number of purchases made by the SMV Purchasing Office to MITTELMANN, who before his return to the Soviet Union made numerous purchases for his own personal gain. During the week of 5 December 1949, the SMV Purchasing Office made cash payments for the following purchases and services:

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Item Purchased</u>	<u>Payment in Schillings unless otherwise noted</u>
Aga-Werke A.G.	Oxygen	95,788.25
"Kowa" Gusshauskehr G.m.b.H.	1 Drillometer	10,001.00
Warchalowski Brüder	10 General Motors nozzles	Imported and paid for in dollars
Ebenseer Solvay-Werke	Soda	5,416.50
Plansee Metalwerke G.m.b.H.	Widia steel	66,480.00
Bunzl & Biach A.G.	Polishing cloth (Putzkrepp)	5,625.00
"Chemia" Chemikalien G.m.b.H.	Hydrochloric acid	3,772.55
Holzbauwerk Franz Havlicek	Wood	30,700.85

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Othmar Graf Aichelburg, Vorm. Lederer & Nessenyi	Fire brick	30,231.04
Oesterreichische Armaturen G.m.b.H.	Armatures	5,018.80
Hönig *****	Electrical material	6,186.38
"Canada" Tiefbohrgeräte und Maschinenfabrik G.m.b.H.	5 Production crosses (Produktionskreuze)	Amount of payment not known
"Standard" Ges. für Techn. Artikel	200 fan belts, size 4500 x 16	Price not known
"Semperit" Gummiwerke A.G.	100 pair of rubber boots	Amount of payment not yet known
Robert Metzger & Co.	Crane chassis built from 2 salvaged vehicles	45,000.00
Teudloff-Vamag	Cone-shaped nozzles and stop valves	129,216.00
Mannesmann-Trauzl A.G.	Pump rods and 2 derrick crown blocks (Turmkronenblöcke)	198,152.05
	16 heavy rods (Schwerstangen) Delivered to Matzen but 44 cylinder cases (Zylinder- payment not yet made büchsen), 2 Spielpumpen (sic)	
	Additional pump rods, number Payment not yet made not specified	
Schmidhiette, Krems	2½ tons of galvanized sheet iron	Price not known
Brixlegg Montanwerke G.m.b.H.	2 carloads of heavy spar	Payment not yet made
Schoeller-Bleckmann	Pump rods	Payment not yet made
G. Rumpel A.G., Siebenhirten and SEB Rumpel, Matzen	Two Wirth pumps and one Trauzl pump	Payment not yet made
K. J. Baldauf	Cement	68,947.31
Various firms	Miscellaneous purchases and maintenance expenses	34,270.69

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9. SMV officials have not yet reached a decision regarding payment of the stop-gap bonus (Überbrückungshilfe) which the Austrian Federation of Trade Unions is demanding to assist Austrian workers to meet the rising cost of living. Various SMV offices recently proposed that the SMV make a single payment of 280 schillings to all employees. SMV Headquarters has rejected this proposal and is now negotiating with trade union leaders regarding a payment of 200 schillings for workers and 341 schillings for white-collar employees.

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** Comment: The SMV probably purchased this shipment of hydrochloric acid from Hungaria Chemische Werke, Budapest, [redacted]

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*** Comment: These pumps are probably part of a total of 400 which were turned over to G. Rumpel AG for repair work early in November 1949. [redacted]

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Comment: This report regarding the transfer of the Rumpel firm to Matzen has been confirmed in part by a report from [redacted]

Comment: Höning probably refers to Ludwig Höning, Vienna XIII, Grünbergstrasse 25.

Comment: MITTELMANN's departure was previously reported [redacted]

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recently reported that MITTELMANN's successor is one

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